

(Letter to the President)

The President
The Speaker of the House of Representatives
The Vice President

On behalf of the Board, I am pleased to present this Fifth Report of the Good Neighbor Environmental Board to the President and Congress of the United States. The Report reflects extensive discussions on the part of the Board Members about the needs of the border region, as well as considerable input from the public.

Our recommendations this year focus on three areas: water resources, air quality, and hazardous materials. In all three areas, we recommend that the federal government continue to support existing exemplary partnerships at all levels. Moreover, given the continual changes and new pressures the region faces, we also advise that resources be made available to enable new partnerships to get under way to address these additional challenges.

The Board appreciates the opportunity to offer these recommendations and respectfully requests a response. It intends to monitor follow-up to its recommendations and welcomes ongoing dialogue with the Executive Branch and Congress on the implementation process.

Respectfully yours,

Judith M. Espinosa,
Chair